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REPORT OF THE FOREIGN OPERATIONS ADMINISTRATION
on
IMPLEMENTATION OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE JACKSON COMMITTEE REPORT
(List A)Operations Against the Soviet SystemDefector, Refugee, and Related Activities

19. The necessary legislative and organizational measures to provide adequately for the care and resettlement of refugees from countries behind the Iron Curtain should be taken.

On December 20, 1951, the Psychological Strategy Board approved PSB D-18a, which provided policy and authority for a program "insuring or arranging the employment, resettlement or care of all escapees from the Soviet Orbit..." The Department of State was assigned administrative responsibility. Legislative authority was provided under Section 101(a)1 of the Mutual Security Act of 1951 and funds were made available for operation of the program by Presidential directive on March 22, 1952, authorizing the transfer from MSA to the Department of State. The Program has been fully operational since May 1952, after the establishment of Escapee Program missions in all of the major countries of reception, including Germany, Austria, Italy, Greece, Turkey and Trieste. By June 30, 1953, over 22,500 escapees had been registered and assisted through care, maintenance and resettlement activities under the Escapee Program. Of these, over 5,000 have been resettled in either the United States, Canada, Australia, or Latin America. By action of the PSB, the Program for Fiscal 1954 was expanded to include certain Chinese refugees in Hong Kong, Yugoslav escapees, Kazakh and Turki escapees in the Near East, and Greek refugees-escapees from Albania and Rumania. The Program budget authorized for Fiscal Year 1954 is \$9 million. In accordance with the reorganization of all foreign operations, the Escapee Program was transferred on July 1, 1953 from the Department of State to the Foreign Operations Administration.

Since the inception of the Program, considerable progress has been made in all phases, but particularly in the care and maintenance aspects of the Program. Outstanding results have been achieved in [] [] In view of the magnitude of the problem, progress in the program in [] has come somewhat slower than in other countries. Within the scope of existing policy, organizational measures are adequate to provide for the care and resettlement of refugees from behind the Iron Curtain. From the psychological standpoint, existing legislation is not adequate for the resettlement of some escapees because, generally speaking, former members of the Communist Party or the Communist apparatus are not permitted entrance into the United States. From an operational point of view, the Refugee Relief Act legislation is inadequate because it does not now provide for the financing of ocean transport for refugees eligible under the Act.

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